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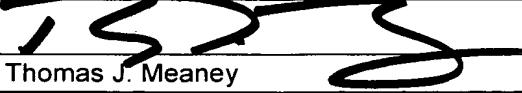
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b></p> <p>Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p>	Application Number	10/014,760-Conf. #1074
	Filing Date	December 11, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Kurt J. Richter
	Art Unit	2643
	Examiner Name	B. W. Taylor
	Attorney Docket Number	49581/P028US/10103789

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

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